

The **Parks and Recreation Board** met Monday, August 18, 2008 at 4:30pm at City Hall in the Mayor's Conference Room.

Present at said meeting were Garnet Peck, Mike Dana, Paula Woods, Karen Springer, Mary Nauman, and Attorney John Sorensen. Joe Payne, Pennie Ainsworth, Chris Foley, Lee Booth, Brenda Lorenz, and Cheryl Kolb represented the department. Absent were Council members Ann Hunt, Gerald Thomas, and Gerry Keen.

Garnet convened the Board at 4:33pm.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes of the July 21, 2008 meeting. Paula motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mike seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Superintendent – Joe reported on the following:

- Noted the Council Report was included in the mailing.
- Joe passed a report around the table showing Funded Projects for the department.

Assistant Superintendent – Pennie reported on the following:

- Men's League Tournament was won by Cox's Pub, 2nd place went to Servpro.
- The Coed League Tournament finals are this week, with six divisions and six teams per division playing in a double-elimination tournament.
- Global Fest is Saturday, August 30 from 10:00am-9:00pm. The Naturalization Ceremony will be on Friday, August 29, beginning at 4:00pm.
- Passed copies of the final pool report showing revenue and attendance figures for the season. Final expenses are not in, waiting for final bills to arrive.

Parks – Lee reported on the following:

- Inspection reports available.
- Room renovation at Morton was finished.
- A few damaged areas on the maintenance barn roof and siding were repaired.
- Clean-up around the maintenance barn continues.
- We are continuing with grounds maintenance and watering, trying to keep plants alive.
- Performing mechanical repairs as needed.
- Closed pool for the season.

Recreation – Chris reported on the following:

- Swim season ended on Sunday, August 10. We received one-thousand, four-hundred thirteen swim lesson registrations this season.
- Three-hundred one tennis lessons were taught this summer.
- Twenty-six children participated in Marshall Overley's football skills camp.

Morton Center – Brenda reported on the following:

- We have had one-thousand, two-hundred seventy-three registrations for the summer, an increase of one-hundred thirty-five registrations, or 11.9%, over last summer. The theater camps and the new fencing class were very popular.
- Brenda noted that she would attend the Purdue Graduate Fair Friday morning, August 22, at Stewart Center to promote Morton classes and West Lafayette Parks & Recreation.

- A number of volunteers that are participating in Community Action Day will be visiting Morton that same day. Marianne is going to supervise the students and assign them the chore of cleaning glass in windows and doors and dusting blinds at Morton.
- On Saturday, September 6, from 1:00-3:00pm, Morton will have an open house where a number of instructors will be giving free mini-lessons or demonstrations of their classes.
- Brenda reported that on Wednesday, September 17, 2008, she and several instructors would be attending the West Lafayette Farmers Market. There will be a display for Morton's classes along with the new fall brochures. Susanne McConville will be doing a demonstration of Gentle Yoga from 3:00-4:00pm, belly dance demonstrations will be from 4:15-5:15pm, with fencing demonstrations from 5:30-6:30pm. Also during this time at the market, Deb Remsburg will have some samples of her gourd art and will be demonstrating how to do the artwork during the afternoon.
- Area IV Council on Aging and Community Services will be hosting their third Annual Senior Art Contest at Morton Community Center. Senior artwork will be on display in Room 106 from September 5 - October 9.

Old Business

Aldi Proposal

Justin Furr and Dave Griffy/Civil Designs presented a proposal for the trail re-design near and around the property in which Aldi is interested in obtaining on Sagamore Parkway West. Upon hearing the proposal, the Park Board requested revisions to the property plans, with further discussion to follow.

Peck-Trachtman Park Dedication

Joe noted we received the boulder (sign) and we are ready to set a dedication date and time. The dedication has been set for Sunday, September 7, at 3:00pm.

New Business

Quotes for Maintenance Shop Repair

Joe opened and read requested quotes received for repairs needed at the Happy Hollow Park maintenance facility, such as the replacement of the roof, and new metal siding on two sides of the building. The bids received were as follows:

Simon Construction - \$38,896.00

Architectural Remodeling - \$31,939.00

PR Company - \$42,908.00

Mike motioned to allow the staff to proceed appropriately with the selection of the lowest responsive and responsible quote received. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

West Lafayette School Board – Karen reported on the following:

- The first week of school has gone smoothly.
- Wednesday, August 13, the WLEA approved a one-year contract for certified staff. The school board then approved the contract at their evening meeting. It is great to start the school year off with a new contract.

- The 2008 budget was approved by the state, and the 2009 budget work is currently underway. The state has allowed an extension on submission of the 2009 budget. This will allow more accurate data collection – student numbers, insurance cost projections, utility cost projections, etc. and hence, preparation of a more accurate budget.
- Two board members resigned the end of July, one for a move out of district and the other for a new job requiring extensive travel out of the community. Current board of five follows Indiana statute on replacing those two. The board interviewed five of the eight applicants and will vote on the two new board members on Wednesday, August 27.
- The first conference football game is this Friday at 7:30pm, home vs. Crawfordsville.

Wabash River

Joe reported he attended the most recent Wabash River Enhancement Corporation meeting. There is a public meeting scheduled September 4 at 7:00pm, Holiday Inn Select (Grand Ballroom) for discussion of the master planning of the urban river segment of the Wabash River Corridor.

The “DeTrash the Wabash” event has been rescheduled to Saturday, October 11.

Other**Petty Cash and Cash/Change Request**

Pennie requested approval to establish a Petty Cash fund for \$200.00 and a Cash/Change fund for \$500.00 for use at Global Fest 2008, to revert back no later than November 28, 2008. Paula motioned to approve the Petty Cash and Cash/Change funds for Global Fest 2008 as presented. Karen seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Pay Claims

Mike motioned for claims to be paid. Karen seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Adjourn

Paula motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm.

Presiding Officer

Secretary